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*The Bi Pride Contingent in the 1998 Sydney Mardi Gras*



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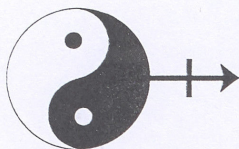
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#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE & PRINCIPLES

*National BIWAYS* is produced by the Australian Bisexual Network to inform its audience about social, political and personal issues relevant to bisexuality and bisexual people, to provide a forum for exchanging opinions and sharing experiences, to link up with and support geographically or socially isolated bisexual people, to foster the Bisexual Movement in Australia and to help build a diverse multicultural community of bisexual and bi-friendly people and groups in Australia and elsewhere.

ABN realises that bisexuality is inextricably linked to other identities (gender, race, class, etc). Our intention is that *National BIWAYS* will represent a broad spectrum of bisexual voices and images. We are committed to taking an active role in building a multicultural bisexual community free of racism, sexism, classism, homophobia and other forms of oppression.

Through self-examination and through the contents of this news magazine, we will endeavour to challenge our own racism, classism, sexism (and our own biphobia) as well as that of others. We will work to create a supportive bisexual community and to promote equality and understanding for bisexual people in both the heterosexual and the lesbian/gay communities. We regard ourselves as part of a larger sexual minority (queer) community, a gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities, and consider the fight for lesbian and gay rights to be our own. We advocate the recognition, inclusion and involvement of bisexual people in existing gay and lesbian and transgender communities, in lesbian and gay politics, in community development and consultations, in sexual health and HIV/AIDS issues, policy, research and education. ABN does not support the promotion of pedophilia or organisations that promote it.

We are sex-positive, recognising that we live under increasing sexual oppression. We support sex education for its own sake. We advocate the distribution of information and resources to halt the spread of HIV/AIDS, STDs and unwanted pregnancies. We support the rights of people with HIV/AIDS to be free of discrimination, to have access to information, housing and quality medical care and treatments.

We seek to expand, not constrain, the definitions of bisexual and we respect the right of the individual to define her/his own self-definition, identity and type of relationship(s), free from any social, political, religious or economic coercion. We support healthy relationships between consenting adults. We acknowledge the right of partners, particularly female partners of bisexual men, to quality non-judgemental counselling and health services if needed, to greater understanding by all communities and to honesty in their relationship.

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## EDITORIAL

Well, hello to all Members and readers. What a month February was!!

There was Bar Bi on Valentine's Day, the Bi Awards presentations, our national Bi Conference in Sydney, the Good Bi Party and the Mardi Gras Parade. Also for me there was the drive to and from Sydney, media interviews in Sydney, and organising the Track I am responsible for at the 5th International Bisexual Conference in Boston.

You may have guessed by now this is our special post everything issue of National Biways with photos galore of the events over the past month. Do you like our new cover? Thanks to Brenda and Bob for the work they put in to give us a colour photo cover (well for most of us it will be colour, sorry to those who have just got black and white but you should join us as a member). We have a lot of photos in this issue and you can also see many of them up on our web site in the Photo Galleries. You can even order your favourite pic from the selection. Photos have come from several sources and thanks to all those who sent them to us here.

A fine effort has gone into this issue by our merry band of members here in hot and sunny Brisbane to get this issue out in time for me to take to Boston on March 24th. Yes, I am one of the lucky ones who will be in debt for the next couple of years so that I can share the experience of a life time (again) with over 700 other bisexuals at the international conference. You will not see my cheery face or hear my cherpy voice for another 2 months as I globetrot from Brisbane to Los Angeles to Boston to Toronto, to Montreal, to Quebec, to New York to London, to Paris, to Rotterdam, to Dortmund to London to Bangkok to Manila, to Cebu, to Davao and back to Bangkok for the trip home to Brisbane.

The ABN phone-line will be diverted to our members here in Brisbane and the next issue of National Biways will be wholly produced by our team here. Do give them your support and please do send them your articles and stories and bi news and events.

Speaking of events, if you are here in Brisbane do come along and support our wonderful and friendly Bar Bi nights on the 2nd Saturday and 4th Wednesday each month at the Rat Hotel. February was a great month with the Bi Auction on Valentine's Day, sorry to those who came on the 4th Wednesday (many of us were in Sydney) but we had a bumper crowd of around 40 people at the Saturday in March. And we are now at a new cafe on the 3rd Wednesday and for some of the Bi women's meetings. Do come along and check out the Two Faces of Eve at Annerley Junction.

For those of you in Townsville, Newcastle, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth, well the local groups have events for you too. Do call them up to find out what is coming up or give ABN a call if you need any info for your area. We also the events listed at our web site on the Internet. So enjoy yourself and enjoy it safely. See, speak & e-mail you all in May and remember June is Pride for many of us and lots of community events will be happening.

Hugs Wayne.

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## MARDI GRAS STORIES.....

Mardi Gras was an eye opening experience for me. It showed me that I can be myself and relax and have fun. It started with a picnic lunch, we then moved to the waiting areas. As I was getting bored, a friend suggested we go for a walk... and look at the floats. The floats were beautiful and so were a lot of the people with them. After seeing everything I could, my friend and I went back to the waiting area where the music was blaring and cute people were everywhere. Finally the parade started! The feeling of excitement was overwhelming. The first kilometer was uphill but we danced our way through that while kissing and hugging people on the sideline. Two of the best moments for me were a Police Officer on the sideline holding his arms out for a hug, so I ran over. After the hug he asked for a kiss, I thought he was cute so why not? After that moving experience I continued on, the feeling from the crowd and the ABN people around me was that of joy, friendship and support. It was wonderful. The second experience was a very cute American on the sideline who after a hug put his hand down my tight lycra black and purple bike shorts and had a damn good feel! I told him if he could find me later we could have some fun.... but I didn't see him again, pity! One must go on... continuing with the rest of the parade and finally reaching the end myself and others were exhausted and suffering slight dehydration.... needing to scout around further for offers of water. Plenty of generous people about. We rallied about happy and high, deciding who was going where, and making a dash for the public transport before the 800 000 strong crowd broke! There were about 8000 entrants in the parade alone!! Overall it was the best night of my life, so much so I will be going next year.

James Green, Brisbane Bi Youth, Australian Bisexual Youth Alliance  
P.S. Hope to see you there!!

## MARDI GRAS REPORT FROM ELMO AND DANTE.....

Hi everybody!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Bondage Partners Dante and Elmo here \*SMILE\*

We had a great time at Mardi Gras, done up in our leather collars and chains, and proudly displaying our green Parade Entrant passes, we mingled and mixed tied onto our Master and Mistress's belts. A few spectators laughed and took photos.... they weren't laughing at us of course, the cute and wonderful Elmo and Dante (snigger), and boy oh boy!!!! was it a bumpy dance along Oxford Street... we were pressed and squashed at crotch level quite frequently, violently gyrating and bouncing along with the wonderful Bi Pride contingent. I hope we all portrayed the message that there is no stereotypical bisexual, we are all diverse, and most of us are just quite normal people that you meet everyday!! The range of ages was amazing.... there we all were, from all walks of life, displaying unity, happiness and joy for the world to share. From the reserved to the flagrantly overt, all had a place in the parade. We had such a wonderful time in Sydney that we will be coming back next year with bells on (Maybe not literally... then again you never know what we are likely to do next!). Anyway love to you and all your furry friends!!!! See you next year!!!!!!



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## ABN NATIONAL CONFERENCE REPORT

After a long bus trip from Brisbane, I arrived in Sydney for the first time, made my way to the Pride Centre at Surry Hills to get ready for the Opening Night of the 3rd Australian Conference on Bisexuality. After signing in I met heaps of new and interesting people and chatted away, but all too quickly it was time for Wayne Roberts to open the Conference and welcome everyone. Glenn spoke on behalf of SBY, and Munro on behalf of SBN. Lynne O'Brien spoke on behalf of the Pride Centre. The Community Advancement Awards were presented followed by the new Award, the Elaine Kemp and Wayne Roberts Award for Bi Activism which goes to an 'out' bi Australian and was presented by Fritz Klein to Sabina Nowak.

We then had a break followed by a rousing performance by Tom Robinson who had come out from England, specifically to perform for the Bi Conference. Everybody seemed to enjoy the evening, sharing the excitement.

After, people went to various clubs on Oxford Street, and continued to catch up on the years happenings.

Saturday morning it was a bright and early start for some... 8-30am Registration, 9am start. Everyone was welcomed and introduced to Sabina Nowak and Maree Porter who spoke about What Sexual Harassment is and how it can manifest itself in the Queer Community. Lynne O'Brien from Pride, and Sam Levy from the GLRL and Sam Stott from SBY covered the topic Queer Coalitions Visibility and Inclusion. The morning session was well received and we then broke for much needed coffee and tea.

Next we had Who is Bisexual? The Klein Sexual Orientation Scale presented by Fritz Klein, (US psychologist and author of The Bisexual Option) with help from Mik Scheper. This was very interesting as we thought and assessed ourselves in relation to the scale. Talk continued over lunch, and then we prepared for the afternoon sessions.

Split sessions were Young Men who have Sex with Men and HIV prevention presented by Wayne Roberts, and Bi Support Groups presented by David Preston, Rachel Wotton and Maree Porter.

Next was Queer Identity and Queer Politics presented by Nassim Arrange and Nathanwi, and Domestic Violence by Catherine Lawrence.

Afternoon Teas was served and then another split session: Bi Youth Forum/Intersexual, Transgender & Sexuality, presented by Elaine Chalcraft and Claire Baker. Next was 'Coming In' Radio Documentary presented by Sam Stott. The last split session for the day was Reproductive Health & Contraception presented by Sam Stott/Journeying Out from the Closet to Mardi Gras by Wayne Roberts. I attended the Bi Youth Forum but unfortunately it seemed quite negative in parts, luckily there were a few positive comments. Wayne's session was informative and enjoyable.

That was the close to Day One, so off I went out to dinner to a Lebanese Restaurant, then off to bed to sleep to be nice and bright eyed for Day Two!!!!!!

Day Two saw people straggling in, in different states of alertness for the fascinating Bisexual History presented by Craig Walker and Rosanne Bersten. I enjoyed this excellent presentation. Next was Bi Research and Writing presented by Maree Porter and Scott Anderson, this was very interesting. Morning Tea was really appreciated, then we had split sessions 'Three in a Marriage' video presented by Sara Lubowitz which I attended and found quite funny and amusing, but also true to life and informative.

We had a wonderful lunch prepared and served by Gill Jones, with help from a few others. This was followed by a group photo session.



Afternoon saw the results of the survey taken by Fritz Klein, and these were really what I expected given the cross section and diversity of the attendees at the Conference.....there were quite a few people wandering about unable to be categorized and quite enjoying that fact. Next was Marginalia by Rosanne Bersten, speaking about edge identities and the notion of community. I enjoyed this very much.

After Afternoon Tea we had the Annual General Meeting, which true to past experience took extra time, a lot of noise and criticism, and resolved relatively little for the time and effort. (Read the AGM Report). Quite a lot of people got bored with the negativity and turned to other conversations, I found this quite sad. A few people do a lot of work for ABN and the criticism and complaining seemed unfair. We need to thank each other for our efforts, not whinge about what we could/should do. Unfortunately the AGM taking time seemed to finish the conference, perhaps we may consider having it on the first day with strict time constraints, so that the Conference doesn't end on such a stressful note with Members feeling overly criticized and "What is the Point?". Luckily we had a way to unwind, Tom Robinson entertained us at The Good Bi Party held at the Stonewall Hotel in Oxford Street. I ended up talking at length with Tom, he is a fascinating person and a lot of fun, I hope he can make it to the next Conference.

All in all a fantastic time was had over the whole weekend, with people keen to attend again. Thanks Megan and Munro for accommodation and transportation.

Chris Rowe, Brisbane Bi Youth.

## CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Craig Walker and Rosanne Bersten spoke about Bisexual History leading up to Craig's involvement in the first Mardi Gras Parade (1978) and on to the present day. People seemed to get a lot out of this session.

Fritz Klein's presentation on sexual orientation generated a lot of discussion and thought, as did the results of the survey which were presented on Sunday.

Elaine Chalcraft and Claire Baker also enlightened a lot of us with up to date information and the ridiculous situations facing transgendered people and intersexual people regarding identification and true gender identity. i.e. doctors making decisions as to what gender they shall be rather than allowing the child to show what identity/gender they are. Birth gender vs. self gender identification regarding legal ID - Passports, Birth Certificates, use of public toilets.

## AUSTRALIAN BISEXUAL NETWORK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was held at the ABN Conference in Sydney. It was resolved to proceed with incorporation but with similar ABN regional group representation. Alan Jevons is to redraft the constitution in the format required. Alan has put in a lot of work for this and we all appreciate his efforts.

With regards to the next National Conference it was resolved that this would take place in 2001 with suggestions to look at State Conferences in the meantime.

## International Bisexual Conference

There will be three ABN Members at the Conference in Boston in April 1998. As the next International Conference is decided at the end of the current one the AGM resolved not to host the 2000 International Conference if asked, but would put a bid in to host the 2002 International Bisexual Conference in Sydney around the time of the International Gay Games.



## New ABN Council Members Appointed

Munro Saunders and Xena Fischer-Page for NSW. No one for Victoria, Tasmania, Western Australia, Northern Territory or ACT. Sabina Nowak and Gillian Jones for QLD, and Alan Jevons for South Australia. ABN invites Members to put themselves forward for the vacant positions on the National Council. Needed are:

- 2 Bisexual Youth
- 2 HIV/AIDS
- 2 Partners of Bi's
- 2 Ethnic Community/Indigenous
- 1 Transgendered
- 2 each from Vic, Tas, ACT, NT, WA
- 1 SA

## THANK YOU NOTES.....

Many thank you's need to be said to the many people who attended and helped at the Bisexual Conference and Mardi Gras in February ..... here are some specific ones:

Wayne Roberts for coordinating the overseas guest speakers/entertainers and the Conference Program, and booking the Queen Mary Building.

Tom Robinson and his entourage Adam and Mark for coming over from England to be at the Conference and entertain us.

Fritz Klein for coming over from the San Diego, USA to be our key guest speaker.

Michael Page from Ft. Lauderdale, USA for bringing us the New Bi Jewelry designs from Amazons Inc., and for his information and display on the new Bi Cafe Internet Site: <http://www.bicafe.com/about.html>

Maree Porter of Bisexuals of The Hunter (BOTH) for her fundraising efforts to help people attend the Conference.

Graham McKay for the food and Munro for the drink at the opening night and to others who assisted. Graham McKay for designing of and printing of the Bi Pride T-shirts 1998 (worn in the Parade) with his generous initial financial outlay.

Gillian Jones, with help from Elaine Chalcraft and Munro Saunders, for looking after the conference food.

Pieter van der Hilst for looking after the Registration Desk and moneys at the Conference, and to others who helped out there.

Sam Stott with organisational skills extraordinaire, she booked the Pride Centre for Opening Night and organised many guest speakers.

Jo Terrans for finding a Bi party venue and organising the booking with the Stonewall Hotel.

Laura Ann Seabrook for videoing all those wonderful memories from the Parade.

The Sydney people who billeted Interstate/Country visitors, and those people who made donations from \$5 to \$100 towards the Conference Fund.

Munro and Megan, who billeted many people, with generosity and hospitality.



The Speakers, who helped make the Conference interesting and informative and to all those who attended conference and party and participate in the Parade.

Glenn for being caring and lending his battery to Chris in a time of need. (Mobile phone)

## BAR BI VALENTINE'S DAY FUNDRAISER

Thanks to the businesses who donated dinners for two to help raise funds for the Conference.

Auctioned off were: Shawn - bidding was fast and furious, the most popular man of the night. David paid for the privilege to take him out to Wild Fire Bar & Grill. Jewel - bidding went well, she was worried no-one would bid but Bob opened the bidding with 10 cents! Huh!!) but she was rescued by Anthony who paid to take her to Botticelli's Italian Restaurant. Julie - A bit of a battle raged here as a couple of the girls tried to outbid each other, Tracy won and paid to take Julie out to the Jazzy Cat Cafe. Dimitri - Looking so sweet and innocent in his sexy little black dress, caused a stir amongst the bidding, Jewel won this time and got to take him out to the Two Faces of Eve Cafe. Wayne - bidding here went well, with Gillian finally winning over for a dinner for two in Sydney during Mardi Gras.

Overall, it was a popular night, with people having a great time bidding and outbidding each other. Thanks to those who participated.

## BRISBANE SOCIAL EVENTS

Saturday 4th April - Brisbane Bi Youth meeting a Promenade Cafe, Performing Arts Complex, Southbank at 2pm. At around 3pm we can venture on to the Museum for those interested. Phone Shawn 07-3871 0160 or Chris 0412 378 704

Tuesday 7th April - BiWomens Movie night, \$5-00 movie ticket, meet at Carindale Cinema Foyer at 7-00pm and we'll choose a movie! Look for Gillian & Jewel. Call 07-3341 6931 for details.

Saturday 11th April - Bar Bi, Come along and have some fun and meet others. At the Rat Hotel, cnr. Constance and Ann Sts, Fortitude Valley, 8pm till midnight. Call 07-3857 2500 for details.

Wednesday 15th April - ABN meeting at 7-30pm at The Two Faces of Eve, cnr Dudley Street East & Ipswich Road, Annerley Junction (entry via Dudley St East & we meet near the pool tables, if in doubt ask at counter for ABN). Entertainment (musicians) provided. Call 07-3857 2500.

Monday 20th April - BiWomens Games/Social Nite at Jewel's (Rosedale). Join in the fun, Pictionary, Scrabble, Trivial Pursuit..... whatever (Anyone got Twister?). From 7-30pm Call 07-3341 6931 for details and directions.

Wednesday 22nd April - Bar Bi, for Bi people and their friends/partners, Rat Hotel 8pm till midnight.. Call 07-3857 2500 for details.

Friday 1st May - ABN Video night at Gill and Mick's (Thornlands), from 7pm, we hope to have a copy of the Mardi Gras video to show before the movie. Call 07-3857 2500 for directions.

Saturday 2nd May - Brisbane Bi Youth meeting at City Botanical Gardens, 2pm - phone Shawn 07-3871 0160 or Chris 0412 378 704 for details of where to meet. BYO munchies, rollerblades, skateboards, bikes.....



Saturday 9th May - Bar Bi, Come along and have some fun and meet others. At the Rat Hotel, cnr Constance and Ann Sts, Fortitude Valley, 8pm till midnight. Call 07-3857 2500 for details.

Friday 15th May - 10 am Daytime BiWomen's meeting at The Two faces of Eve, Cnr Dudley St and Ipswich Road, Annerley Junction. Call 07-3857 2500 for details.

Wednesday 20th May - ABN meeting at 7-30pm at The Two Faces of Eve, Cnr Dudley St and Ipswich Road, Annerley Junction. Entertainment (musicians) provided. Call 07-3857 2500.

Friday 22nd May - ABN Party/Games Nite at Sabina and Ben's (Albion) from 7-30pm. Please enter thru the back door/rear entry. Call 07-3857 2500 for details.

Wednesday 27th May - Bar Bi, for Bi people and their friends/partners, Rat Hotel 8pm till midnight.. Call 07-3857 2500 for details.

Further planning for meetings has been discussed, but if you would like to make a suggestion or offer your home for a meeting or a discussion topic, please call us.

### *SYDNEY SOCIAL EVENTS*

Sydney Bi Youth is hosting a dinner on Saturday 25th April 7pm at Cafe Niki (cnr Bourke and Nobbs Streets, Surry Hills) to welcome Glenn Vassallo back from his trip to Boston and San Francisco. Glenn is attending the 5th International Conference on Bisexuality in Boston, and presenting a workshop on bi youth groups. RSVP by Monday 20th April to Sam 015 677 016 or E-mail sby@queer.org.au

### *MELBOURNE SOCIAL EVENTS*

Melbourne Bisexual Network is holding a meeting at Cafe Coco, 129 Smith Street, Fitzroy on Tuesday 24th March at 6-30pm. There is suggestion of this being a regular monthly social meeting. For details please call Andrew on 03-9576 8471.

### *ON THE NET*

#### *New Bisexual Web Ring*

I've started a WebRing for Australian Bisexuals, and called it OzBi (no connection with the mailing list of the same name). Buzy little beaver aren't I? At present only the homepage is in the ring, but you can add to it by becoming a member, assuming that you're bisexual, Australian (or ex-patriate) and have a webpage. For further information, check out:

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Cheers,

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## ABOUT SPONSORING AN OVERSEAS BI FRIEND

Hi fellow Members and friends! Do you realise it is only about \$5-00 (or less) to post over a *National Biways* to our overseas Members? Every two months or so. Not a lot really, but it all adds up for ABN when we have about twenty countries we currently have people wishing our magazine and/or penfriends from Australia. We have up to ten people from some countries like Cuba. ABN has taken on the responsibility of helping Bi people from particularly developing countries as part of our roll of host to ILGA's Bisexuality Information Pool.

As you know, ABN is a non-profit organization, unfunded by grants, relying upon donations, volunteers, and the \$20-00 or less Membership Fees. Also, the cost of paper, ink, fuel, all adds up, and volunteers tend to 'burn out'. How would you like to contribute, in a small, way that would be hugely appreciated?

By sponsoring an Overseas Member, all you would need to do, would be to post off a *National Biways* to them, along with a note about yourself and what is happening in your patch of Oz. Ask them to write about themselves and their country, and bisexuality. We can then publish their stories/photos and ours in *National Biways* to develop a greater sense of support and unity amongst all of us. If anyone can correspond in Spanish or any other language, we would love to hear from you.

Please consider this for a while, and if you would like to be a part of this, please send a note to us via the P.O. Box, addressed:  
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P.S. If you are not yet an A.B.N. Member, please join us - we really appreciate any show of support and value new friendships tremendously. And for those of you whose membership is up for renewal, your renewal makes us feel valued as volunteers and encourages us, without Members ABN would not exist. Thank you.

Some of the countries are: Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, Japan, Guam, Indonesia, India, Nepal, Turkey, Ukraine, Russia, Malta, Ghana, England, Norway, Cuba, Guatemala, Argentina and Brazil.

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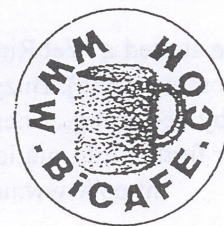
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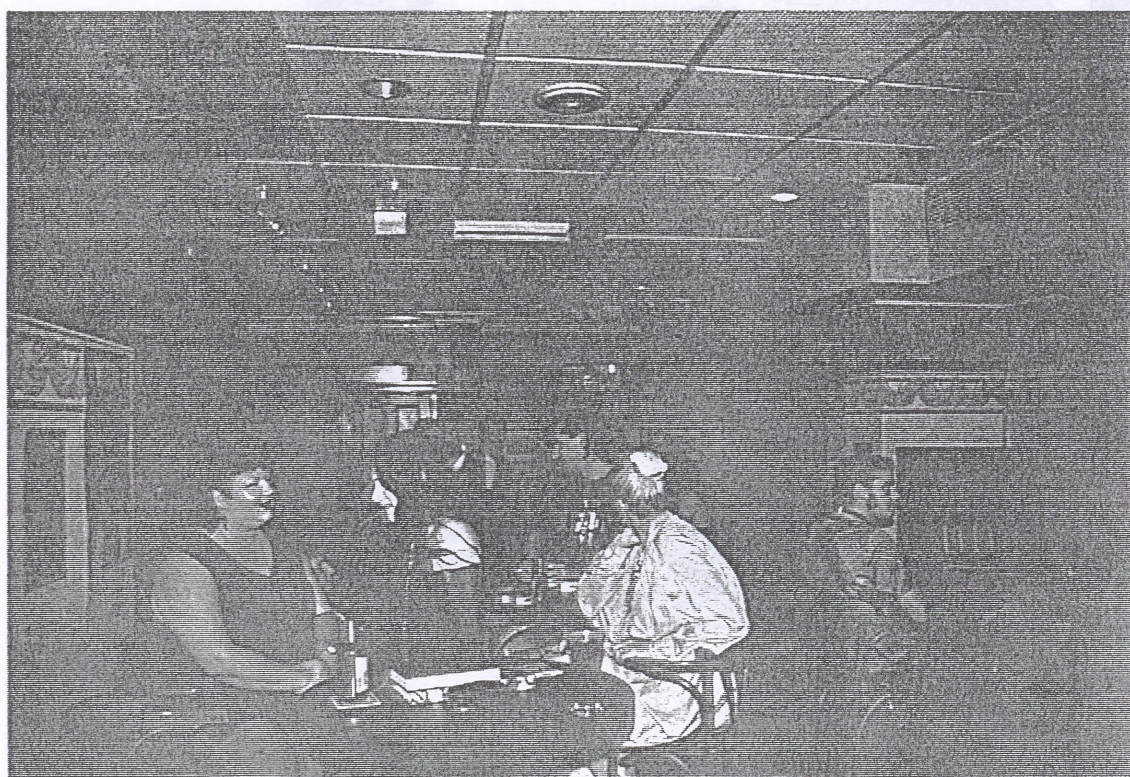
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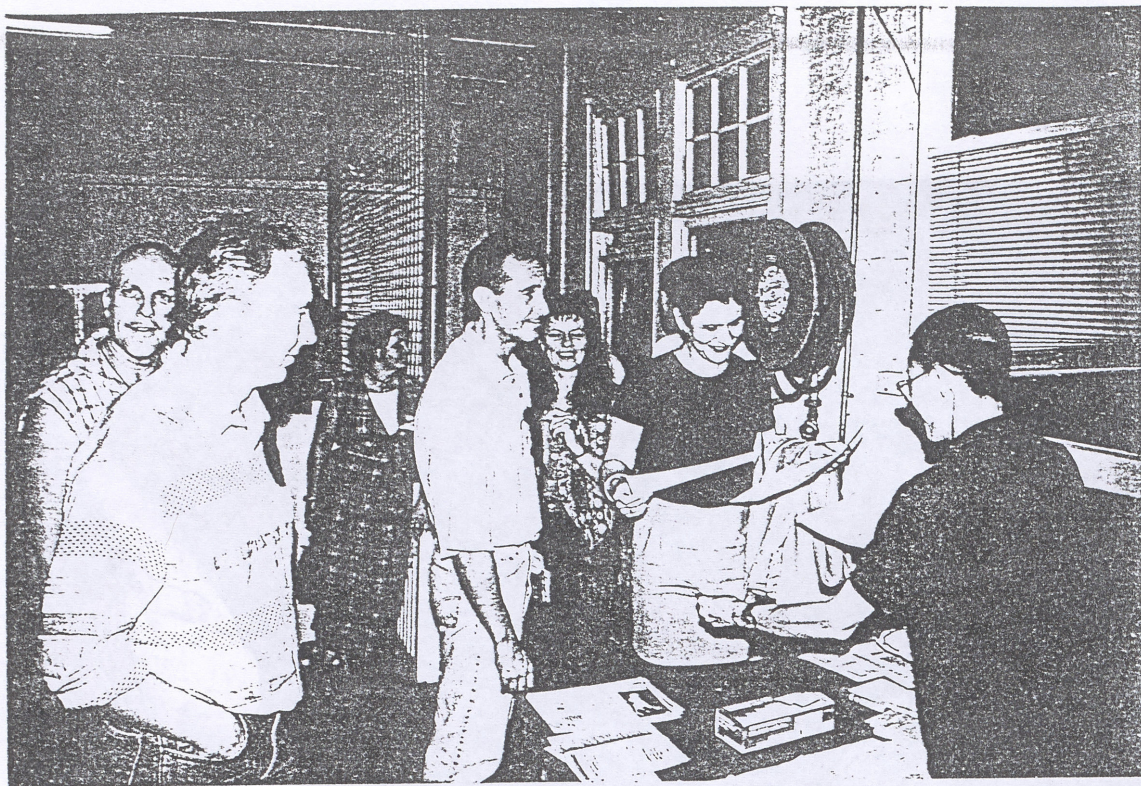
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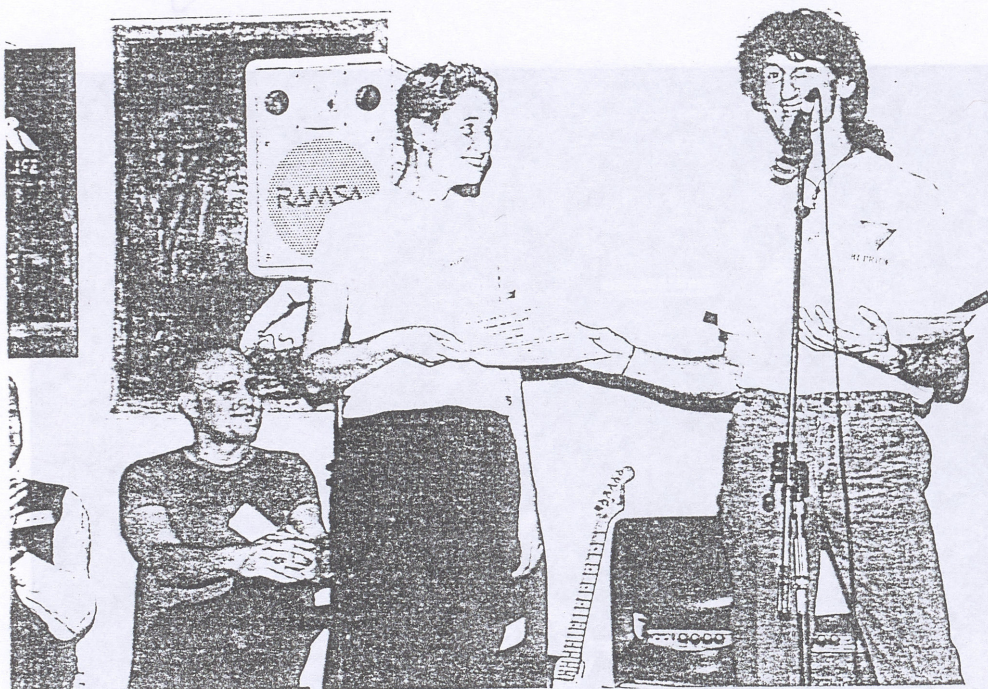
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and Awards Presentation





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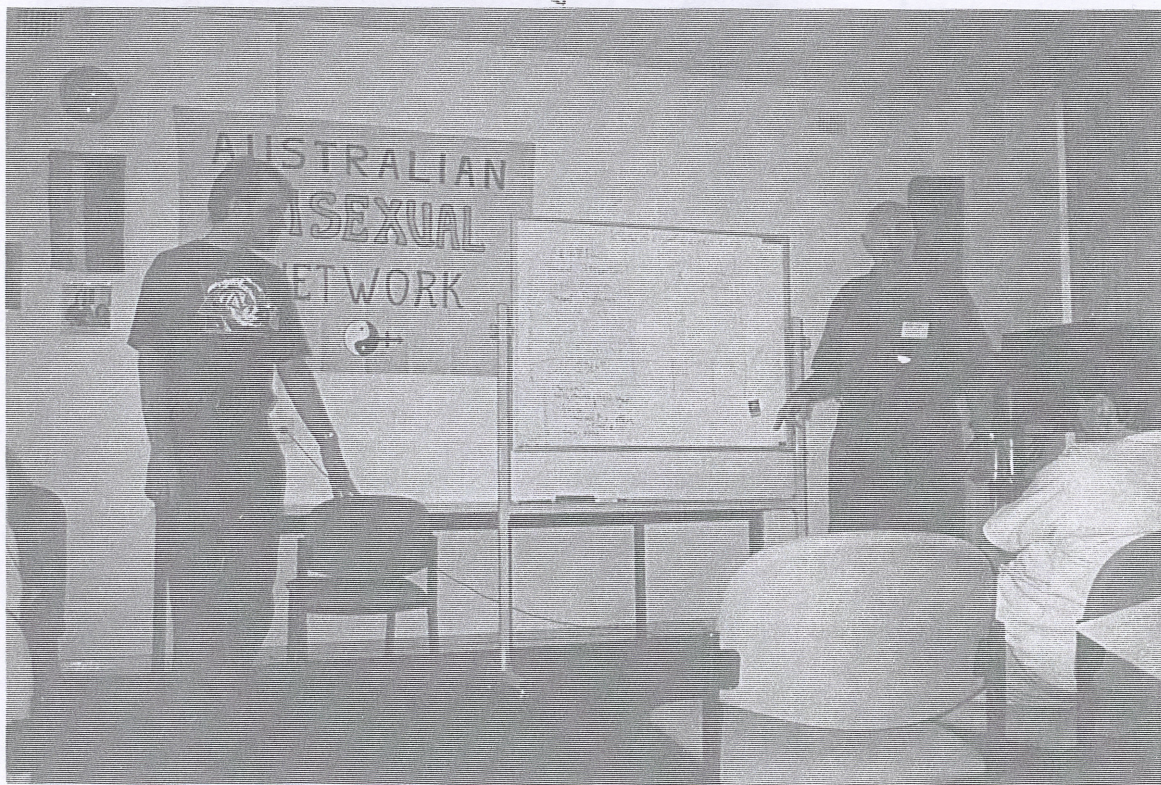




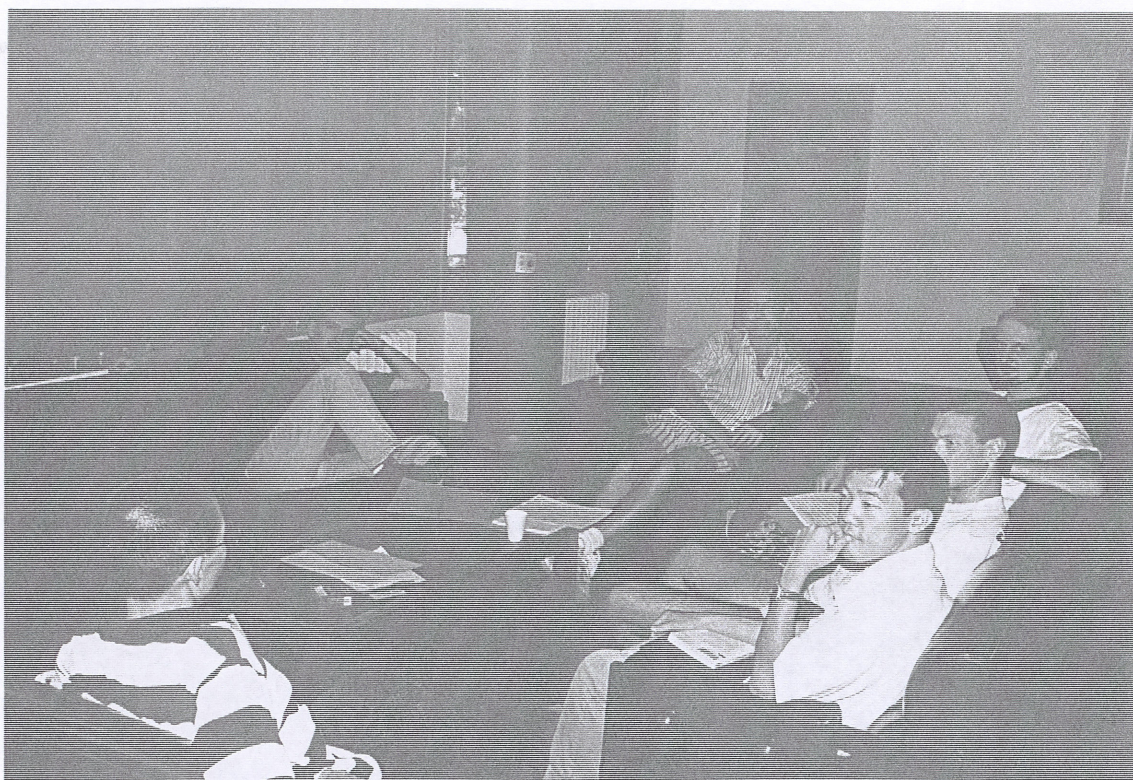


3rd Australian Conference on Bisexuality  
at The Queen Mary Building 21 Feb. 98.

Mik Scheper helping out key speaker Fritz Klein







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Some of the Attendees on 22nd

Rebellers at the Bi Party applauding



Tom Robinson's performance.





Tom Robinson & Adam at  
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Dancing the Night Away.





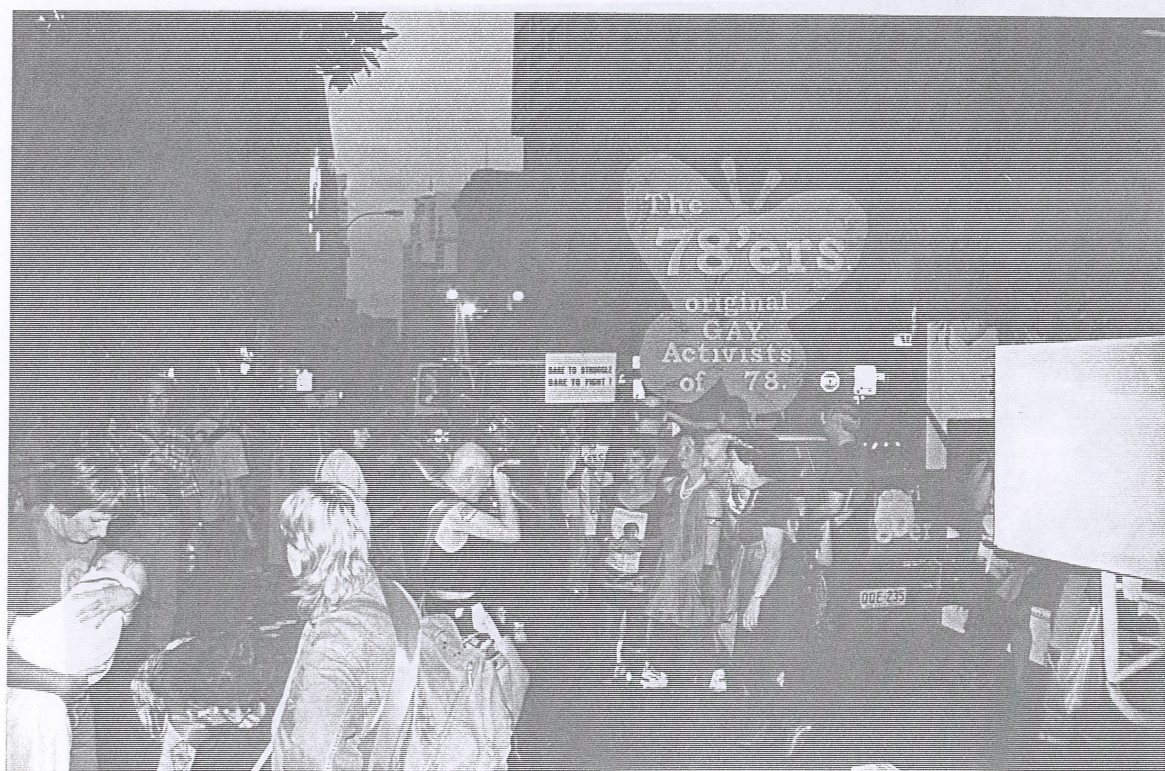
All The Fun of Mardi Gras  
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 Bi Pride.







Kate and Janet with the New South Wales Health Minister who was in the Mardi Gras Parade with the NSW Health Dept. Float.



The '78'ers - many of the original 1978 Mardi Gras marchers who were confronted by Police.



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## **Spouse Support Lists Update**

The new info for ssml should read:

### **The Spouse Support Mailing List (SSML)**

SSML is an Internet mailing list for straight spouses and their bisexual, gay, or lesbian partners who are trying to keep their marriages intact and for keeping the relationship positive for those couples who are separating and divorcing. The List also includes couples where one is bisexual and the other gay or lesbian and where both are bisexual and working through issues in their relationship. Membership is confidential. TO SUBSCRIBE: Send a e-mail message to:

[Majordomo@mailinglist.net](mailto:Majordomo@mailinglist.net) or visit our webpage at <http://www.mailinglist.net/ssml>

The first (not subject) line of the message should be:  
sub ssml or sub ssml-digest

E-Mail questions concerning SSML to  
[MGRSSML@MailingList.net](mailto:MGRSSML@MailingList.net)

The new info for STR8S should read:

### **The STR8S Mailing List (STR8S)**

The STR8S Mailing List is an Internet mailing list for straight spouses of bisexual, gay, or lesbian partners who are trying to keep their marriages intact and for keeping the relationship positive for those couples who are separating and divorcing.

The Str8s List is not moderated; it is a closed list so that only straight spouses will be members. The subscription list is private.

TO SUBSCRIBE: Send a mail message to:  
[majordomo@mailinglist.net](mailto:majordomo@mailinglist.net) or visit our webpage at <http://www.mailinglist.net/str8s>

The first (not subject) line of the message should be:  
sub str8s or sub str8s-digest

E-Mail questions concerning STR8S to  
[MGRSTR8S@MailingList.net](mailto:MGRSTR8S@MailingList.net)

The new list is SOTTS and should be listed like this:

### **The SOTTS Mailing List (SOTTS)**

The SOTTS Mailing List is an Internet mailing list for bisexual, gay, or lesbian partners in mixed orientation relationships who are trying to keep their marriages intact and for keeping the relationship positive for those couples who are separating or divorcing.

The SOTTS List is not moderated; it is a closed list so that only lesbigay spouses will be members. The subscription list is private.

TO SUBSCRIBE: Send a mail message to:  
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E-Mail questions concerning SOTTS to  
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Adam & Paulette



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##### ADELAIDE.

**BI WOMAN 28**, independent, big-hearted, professional, easy-going, dreamer, loves playing tennis, walks on the beach, bottle of wine, good conversation, movies, travel and the natural pleasures of life. Love to hear from other women looking for lots of laughs and honest relationships. Code SA-C1.

##### ADELAIDE SOUTHERN SUBURBS.

**BISEXUAL WOMAN 32**, Straight Male 35, seek bisexual woman 18 - 35 for fun and friendship, long term if suited. Prefer slim, feminine, attractive, any nationality. We are non-smokers, non-scene, healthy and attractive, believe sex should be fun. Code SA-M4.

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##### ALSTONVILLE (Far North Coast).

**BI WOMAN 22** years seeking a loving caring woman, interested in contacting other caring woman who are overweight. I enjoy outdoor life and looking for a woman from age 21 and over and must like cats. Code NS-S1.

##### BATHURST (Central Mid West).

**ATTRACTIVE COUPLE** Bi woman & hetero guy seek Bi woman or couple for friendship and fun times, aged 18-35. Will travel for right person. All letters answered. Code NS-S5.

##### CENTRAL COAST /SYDNEY

**BI MAN** with a strong appreciation and preference for women, but Bi, wanting to meet a Bi or Straight female. I'm keen to form a committed relationship with a woman who is spiritually inclined, open to the possibility of having a child, attractive, slim & possibly interested in meditation or personal growth. I'm 41, 6 feet tall, attractive, blue eyes, dark hair, beard, fit, well educated, spiritually inclined & leading a reasonably healthy lifestyle. I'm looking for someone with more similarities than differences. If this sounds worthy of exploration please write, photo would be appreciated. Code NS-H6.

##### COOMA (South East Highlands).

**FARMER 43**, Snowy Mtns. Area, non-scene Bi guy, fit, seeking younger gay or bi guy, masculine, nice looking, slim person for friendship / relationship. A person who likes fishing, walking in the mountains, movies, having a drink in country pubs and quiet times on lovely old farm. Code NS-C3.

##### NORTHERN RIVERS, NSW.

**BI GUY** Active bi-guy seeks activity partners (m or f). I'm in my early 40s and married, so discretion essential. I'm easy going, friendly, honest and sincere. Interests: Travel, photography, creative writing, sport and uninhibited sex! Drop me a line to: robho@lis.net.au or Code NS-H4.

##### HUNTER VALLEY, NSW.

**BI TRANSGENDERED WOMAN** As a single bi transgendered woman, I get a bit lonely and sexually frustrated. I love adventure and romance, and am into all sorts of things (read my homepage at <http://www.trl.com.au/pollychrome/entrance.htm>), and love sharing interests and time with friends, and I like making new friends. :) This is not an ad for a sex partner (though I'd love that too) cause I really can't imagine me having sex with people I don't know, but I AM looking for new friends of both genders. If something develops, well hey, what a bonus! But if it doesn't, well I still have a friend. :) Hope to hear from you soon.. Code NS-S4.

##### LISMORE (Far North Coast).

**GORGEOUS BISEXUAL 36**, fit & passionate about life, seeking equally spirited & warm-hearted Bisexual(s) for friendship or more. Interests include: intelligent & inspiring conversation, the media, writing, honesty & meditation, genuine connection with people. Looking forward to your reply by mail. Code NS-A1.

##### LISMORE (Far North Coast).

**GAY GUY 42**, good looking, fair, goatie, masculine, craftsman, lonely on property, 30 minutes from Lismore seeks Bi guys or masculine gays for sensual outlets and good company. Loves nudity, J/O sessions with slim smooth and masculine males. Also seek introduction to Bi with good looking understanding couple. Visitors from SE Queensland welcome. Code NS-B5.



**SYDNEY.**

**PROFESSIONAL M/F COUPLE** both 28 yrs, she 5'7, large breasts, attractive, intelligent, seek; intelligent, attractive, open minded bi-female, 20-30 years in the inner city -Sydney region to satisfy females sexual desires and fantasies with another woman. Female is very bi and very frustated in the lack of f/f sex. First timers welcome. Threesomes considered. Females only please! E-mail to: lesko@real.net.au

**SYDNEY.**

**BI GUY** cute looking, very slim young guy, 182 cm, brown hair, blue eyes, love beach, snow, movies and cafes. I'm gentle, intelligent, looking for Bi woman for friendship or relationship. Prefer under 40 years, like me. Would consider a couple. Code NS-P4.

**SYDNEY.**

**BI GUY** 27, dreamer, genuine, passionate, romantic, looking for man / woman for F/R/Ship 23 - 30. Someone to share adventures of life, laughter, intimate moments and happiness! Photo appreciated, ALA. Pen Pals most welcome. Code NS-L1.

**SYDNEY.**

**BI GUY** quite attractive, early to mid 20's, seeks same. Looking for friendship, and an opportunity to explore the higher side of the Kinsay Scale (eg. a guy). Must be somebody who enjoys life, is positive-thinking and not afraid to express true feelings and beliefs. Code NS-S3.

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**QUEENSLAND (QLD).****BRISBANE.**

**BI LADY** married, slim, attractive, 43, seeks similar active Bi or Bi-curious lady for intimacy and adventures. No couples please. Code QD-K6.

**BRISBANE.**

**ATTRACTIVE FEMININE BI ASIAN LADY** seeking pretty feminine woman, 25 to 40 yrs for fun & exciting relationship, no couples please. Code QD-C9.

**BRISBANE.**

**BI-CURIOUS WOMAN** 22 yrs, would like to meet a bi woman or lesbian to help me explore female love and intimacy. ALA. Code QD-T6.

**BRISBANE.**

**BI WOMAN** I'm attractive 33, 9 stone, 5'4". I'm seeking a bi woman, preferably single to join in fun times and excitement within my marriage. Age up to 45 years. Code QD-B20.

**BRISBANE.**

**YOUNG COUPLE** he 31, dark hair 5'8" into bodybuilding, she 30, long brunette hair, good body into lingerie and X-rated movies, social drinkers, non-smokers, seek similar guy for on-going casual fun times. Code QD-Z1.

**BRISBANE.**

**BI LADY, STRAIGHT HUSBAND** early 40's, slim & attractive, enjoy outdoors. Wish to meet Bi lady for friendship & outings. Both smokers and social drinkers. First ad. Limits respected. Kids okay. Code QD-K5.

**BRISBANE / IPSWICH.**

**BI COUPLE** early 30's seek Bi woman 25 - 40 yrs, mainly for female, male willing to participate if required. We are: female - 5'2", 56kg, male - 5'8", 85kg. We love fun, strictly casual & no strings, prefer day time contact, other times can be negotiated. Please send phone number, details and interests. Code QD-F3.

**BRISBANE**

**BI COUPLE** (M50, F43) looking for a bi-male to become part of a mutually satisfying 3-some. Must have a hassle free approach and NS. ALA. Code QD-W9.

**BRISBANE**

**BI FEMALE** (43, size 10) looking for another bi-female for friendship and fun, sexy times. I am married and my husband would like to watch, but not necessarily to participate. Code QD-W10.

**BRISBANE/GOLD COAST**

**BI MALE.** 34 Yr BI MALE seeking COUPLES or BI MALES/LADIES for friendship & fun, who can enlighten me in all aspects of Bisexuality. I'm a Australian male, who is 170cm in height, 65 Kg in weight, of thin build & fair complexion with hazel coloured eyes & short brown hair. I enjoy nudity, exhibitionism & photography. Phone No./Photo/Email Address if possible would be much appreciated. Code QD-H1 or e-mail: n0355780@onaustralia.com.au

**BRISBANE / PINE RIVERS.**

**BI GUY** 32, shy, artistic and romantic, spent a long time thinking I was exclusively gay. Seeking a bohemian woman of any age, (single or in a relationship), for friendship. Nothing sleazy. Please write. Anything is possible while Bowie lives. Code QD-L8.

**BRISBANE / SE QLD.**

**BI GUY** 22 yr s old seeking Bi guy up to 25 yo for friendship or relationship. I have blonde hair, blue eyes, tanned skin & smooth medium build. Please send detailed letter with photo & phone number for quick reply. Code QD-D10.

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**BRISBANE.**

**GUY** 31 muscular fit seeks young couple, Bi, 25-35 for first Bi experience. Must be understanding, safe sex only. I am honest, genuine, caring, non-smoker, social drinker, 5' 8", 67 kg. ALA Code QD-R19.

**BRISBANE BAYSIDE / CLEVELAND.**

**MARRIED BI MALE** 50's would like to meet Bi man, Bi lady or Bi couple any gender mix, Wynnum to Cleveland or near by, a non-smoker and seeks same. Code QD-K7.

**BRISBANE / GOLD COAST.**

**BI GUY** 31 years of age, 'warped' sense of humour, 175cm (5'7"), medium build, non-smoker, occasional drinker, seeks male, female, transsexual or couple for friendship first, then maybe more. I am not looking for a spouse, just friend(s) to get together with when it suits us both / all. I am easy-going, eager to please and love oral (both giving and receiving). Photo appreciated. ALA. Code QD-A3.

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**GOLD COAST.**

**GUY** 37 yo slim discrete gay guy with bi tendencies seeks slim women or couple to 45 to introduce me to straight safe sex. Code QD-B19.

**STRADBROKE ISLAND.**

**GUY** seeks guy/s under 56, slim/med build who are into oral and anal sex & want love, f/ship, kiss, cuddle or just someone to write to. I'm a homy active 56 yo, slim/med build, av looks, 184cm, 93kg, SOH, I'm lonely & need to be wanted. Genuine Ad, write soon, ALA, phone number please, a photo would be nice. Code QD-B16.

**SUNSHINE BEACH.**

**COUPLE** Bi woman 40 yrs, straight husband 41 yrs, seeks Bi woman for long term f/ship, r/ship. We're an easy-going, fun loving couple who enjoy the outdoor life and all kinds of social outings. Code QD-H9.



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NEVER SHARE NEEDLES OR SYRINGES**

## VICTORIA (VIC).

### MELBOURNE.

**BI MALE** 60, retired, clean, considerate, no hang-ups, non-smoker/drinker, good sense of humour, nudist, would like long term relationship with couple m/f or m/m of similar age. Interests range from classical music and art to books, talk and passionate sex. Northern suburbs but will travel to right people within Melbourne or even Peninsula. Have wife's approval but she does not wish to participate in sexual activities with others. Code VI-S2.

## TASMANIA (TAS).

### HOBART.

**BI FEMALE** I am a 27 year old bisexual female, married, hubby 49, three young children, have limited experience with females. I am seeking a friend and lover for me and husband. Genuine replies, photo & phone number if possible. All letters answered. Code TA-F1.

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA (WA).

### BUNBURY.

**SEEKING BI FRIENDS** I'm 29 and happily married to a very understanding guy, I have 2 great kids and am currently balancing motherhood with the renovation of an old house and Uni. I would love to meet and/or correspond with other Bi women of any age, all replies answered. Email me: leicecra@altu.net.au or write quoting: Code WA-O2.

### COUNTRY WA.

**BI TRANSEXUAL** seeking a Bi woman for friendship and relationship. I'm 35 yo, long dark hair, 164 cm in height, a bisexual transsexual (pre-op M to F). NOTE: I'm plain and girl next-door-ish. Not into gay scene etc. I live quietly and discretely the simple country life with my chickens and garden (but visit Perth regularly). I'm seeking someone flexible minded who'll accept both my current (and future) anatomy. My interests include environmental issues, reading and science fiction. I'm a non-smoker, non-drinker & not quite vegetarian. *I am a - Bisexual transsexual, Seeking - Bisexual Woman.* Code WA-J1.

### PERTH.

**BI WOMAN** Hi, I'm a 21 yr old bifemale looking for a bi female also whose within the age range 18-25. If you like pub-crawling or just sitting by the beach to watch the sunset, as well as going for concerts and movies and catching a few games of very badly-played pool, then email me please at Astarte76@rocketmail.com. Lesbians (androgynous or femme ones ONLY please...) may respond as well. Code WA-Y1.

### PERTH.

**YOUNG BI COUPLE** wanting to meet Bi girls and guys or a couple where one or both are Bi. We are looking for a friendship as well as an on-going relationship. Code WA-Z1.

## OVER SEAS (OS).

### EUROPE

#### MUNICH, GERMANY.

**GAY GUY** 43y, German-Indian, int'l. bureaucrat living near Munich/Germany, iso of v. discreet, v. str.-acting, active Professional Australian or NZ-lander (other GWMs welcome too), for friendship and mutual visits. Possibly more if we both want it. No age bar. Can host and expect the same. Have varied interests, am well read and erudite, w. charming smile and nice looks. Write responses w. photo to: Rebonto GUHA, Bahnhofplatz 5/#49, 85737 ISMANING, Germany. Tels.: (+49.89) 96201227, home / 32006-475, office. E-mail: rguha@eso.org

### NICOSIA, CYPRUS.

**BI GUY** 53y, Greek professional, unattached top, in search of mature (in mind) Aus Bi male to discuss bi matters, become friends and may be lovers, exchange visits (I can host, will U?). Look at my homestead (under construction) and e-mail me, Dinos, at adonis212cy@geocities.com No games please.

### SWINDON, ENGLAND.

**ATTRACTIVE BI GUY** 30 yo, 6 feet tall with dark hair and living in England, wishes to make new friends and correspond with Bi males/females up to 35 in Australia. Had experience of gay scene in Brisbane, interests include Aussie soaps, travel, radio and sports/beach clothes. Code OS-W1.

### AMERICAS.

#### HOLGUIN, CUBA.

**BISEXUAL GUY** Cuban, black, 33 years, 1.70 cm, 60 kg, university student, love music, sports, movies, languages. Looking for friends (bisexual) to start a friendship and .... **Pedro Julio Ochoa Gonzalez**, Calle 6 N - 92 entre 21y23, La Quinta, Holguin, 80 900 CUBA.

#### TULSA, OKLAHOMA, USA.

**BI GUY** 5 ft 8 in, dark hair, brown eyes, 150 pounds, Native American, Cherokee - Peoria tribes, into safe sex, play tennis, go to concerts, lift weights sometimes. Want to exchange photos and make friends that want to make it with me, prefer blondes, will answer all. **Everett Cheshewalla**, PO Box 642, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101 - 0642, USA.

### ASIA.

#### MALANG, INDONESIA.

**GUY** Chinese, 25 yo, 167 cm tall, 50kg, likes touring, correspondence, plays, camping, singing & reading. I would like to get many gay/bi friends in Australia, please write. My name is **Kristanko Linardi**, jl. Simpang Borobudur II / 10, Malang 65142, East Java, Indonesia.

#### MANILA, THE PHILIPPINES.

**BISEXUAL MAN** 26 years old, outdoors lover (scuba diver, swimmer and mountaineer) lean and muscular seeks males up to 40 for friendship and possible visits. I like traveling a lot and now I am considering a trip to Australia next year so it would be nice to know people there. Also would like to share thoughts and experiences about bisexuality. Write to **Daniel M. Ocampo**: mailing address: 54 Olive Street, SSS Village, Marikina, 1811 Metro Manila, the PHILIPPINES..

#### HONG KONG.

**BI MALE** tall dark bi male would like to meet women, transsexuals or couples for mutual sensual pleasures the oriental way that brings one to ecstasy. Please write in first instance, thanks. Code OS-K1.

### AFRICA.

#### SUNYANI, GHANA..

**PARTNER WANTED - CUTE GHANAIA LAD**, boyish looks, really nice guy, 21 years, attractive with a solid, smooth chocolate body coming soon, wishes to meet university lecturer or partner for platonic relationship. Genuine relationship, no time wasters. **Prince Antwi**, PO Box 596, Sunyani - B/A, GHANA - WEST AFRICA.

#### SUNYANI, GHANA..

**GAY PALS WANTED** good looking Ghanaian black guy, 22years old, fit, slim, with wicked body seeks that special man for true and stable relationship. Why don't we meet in '97, this year. All letters answered. **Emmanuel K. Annor**, PO Box 250, Sunyani - B/A, GHANA - W/A.

#### SUNYANI, GHANA.

**YOUNG LOOKING GHANAIA BOY**, who wishes to have an honest friend for ever lasting one, if yes, write to me. Let's give love a chance. It has been my wish for a long time to have contact with Australians. **Frank Barnie**, PO Box 337, Sunyani - B/A, GHANA - W/A.

**PENPALS** - we have more Cuban bisexual guys and two Bi women, 1 Spanish guy, one bi woman from Malta and another 2 guys from Ghana looking for Aussie friends, write to ABN for details.



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# More on the Conference

## THE WAY FORWARD POST 3RD ANNUAL BI CONFERENCE

What can I say about the conference-it was inspiring, interested and exciting and paramount in instilling in me a sense of community. I've had some thoughts since my returning about the bi community and promoting bisexuality. These are not intended to criticise the mammoth amounts of time and efforts bi activists put in. More so, they are about sharing the load and enabling others to carry the touch. More so they are about take a sense of responsibility in being part of our community.

### History-

Roseanne and Craig's talk about bisexual history was totally awe inspiring and I feel honoured to have heard their accounts of their involvement in the bi community.

Out of this, I feel a great need to have such history preserved. Do we have such histories documented somewhere? I know in Melbourne there the Gay and Lesbian achives, but is our history subsumed amongst the louder voices of the gay and lesbian communities that are documented? Melbourne Bisexual Youth has been invited to take a look through the achives, and who knows. will it reveal a more stories of our community? It may not mention us at all, after all, it is not the responsibility of the gay and lesbian community to preserve our history, the onus is on everyone of us. Would it be possible to create a file at the ABN (when we get an office with incorporation). I feel it would be highly rewarding and empowering for us all, and reflect the high level of work done through conferences, audio-visual, the Internet and the like.

### The need to organise

We may all love men and women, in varying degrees and varying ways but in some respects that is all many of us have in common. There are so many weird and wonderful sub groups pertaining to our occupations- such as bi sex workers, health-bisexuals suffering from mental illness. partners of bisexual men/women etc.

I am not trying to say that the bisexual community should be divided and split, nor that we should be defined by our occupation, state of health, relationship status. Rather I am suggested that these differences highlight the diversity of our community-something which could be important in regards to activism. Some people at the conference stated that bisexuality is not the most important part of their life. It can be merely one multitude of factors which makes up an individual. However diversity means that each of us have a different story to tell, a different reality. Different knowledge and experiences. Could these differences be further vehicles for Bi Activism? For example, I am a feminist and every year I attend the Reclaim the Night and International Women's Day marches. This year I will be marching at both under a Bisexual banner.



## Ownership

For people to get active they need to feel involved. If it is always the same people who do the work, it is easy for other community members to get recitent-either because they are "too busy"-let's face it most of us are flat out- or don't have enough experience. How to work through this? Invite people to get involved where they'd like to-whether it's speaking at meetings, facilitating, email or whatever. We all have different skills, and by sharing skills we are all more likely to feel a sense of ownership as well as feel a greater level of confidence our own abilities. Resulting from the ABY forum, we have decided to produce some kind of booklet which gives people ideas on running meetings, setting up groups etc. If we can support each other in our activism and share the knowledge, the burnout factor will hopefully be reduced.

## National Connections

It should be more than evident that the bisexual community extends beyond Sydney. Sydney may have a longer documented history, but it important to rember the work that the Sydney Bi Community does in our lifetime in building networks and celebrating Bi Pride. All over the country (and internationally) great work is being done. Let's share our ideas! It makes life easier than having to reinvent the wheel. For example, talking to Chris from Brisbane, I found out some great ideas for fundraising and cheap social events. So many people are doing great stuff it's ace to hear about it all.

We have come along way, and we have a wonderful journey ahead of us.

Catherine Lawrence - Melbourne Bi Youth.



Tom Robinson, Adam and Mark at the Hopetoun Hotel,



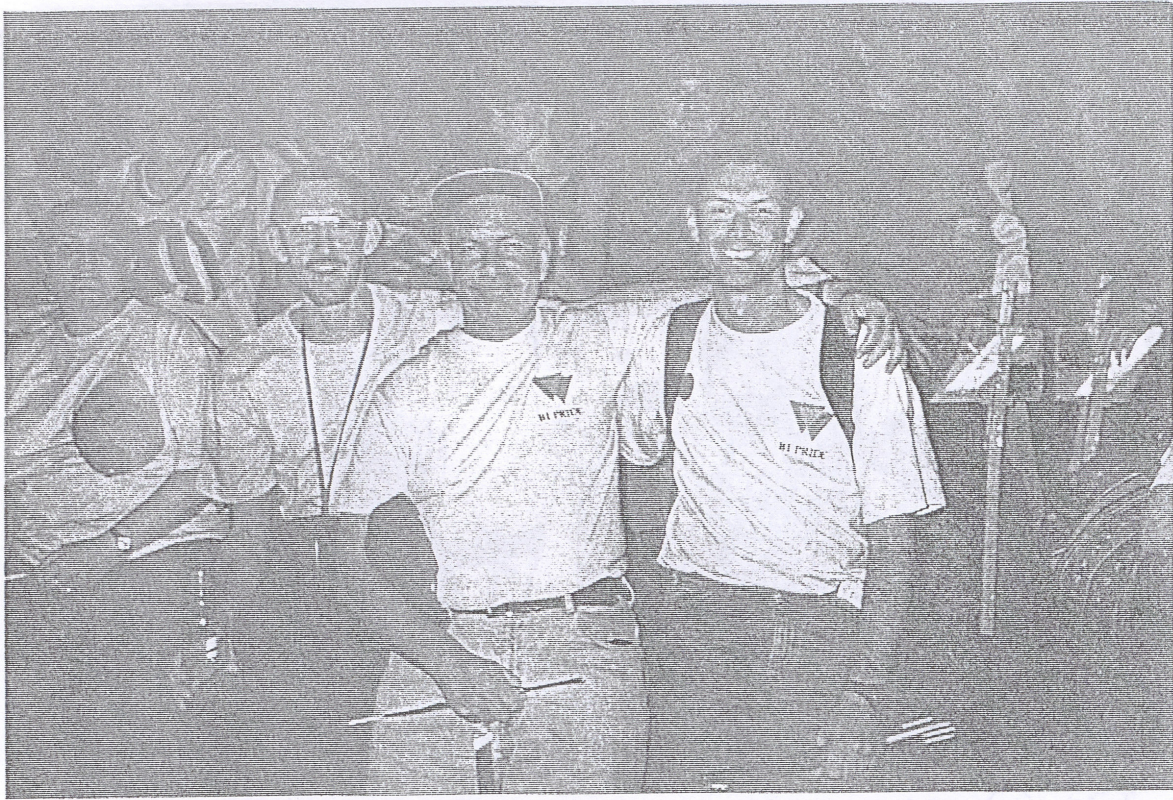


Craig Walker - original Bi '78er  
Some of our Bi Pride Group



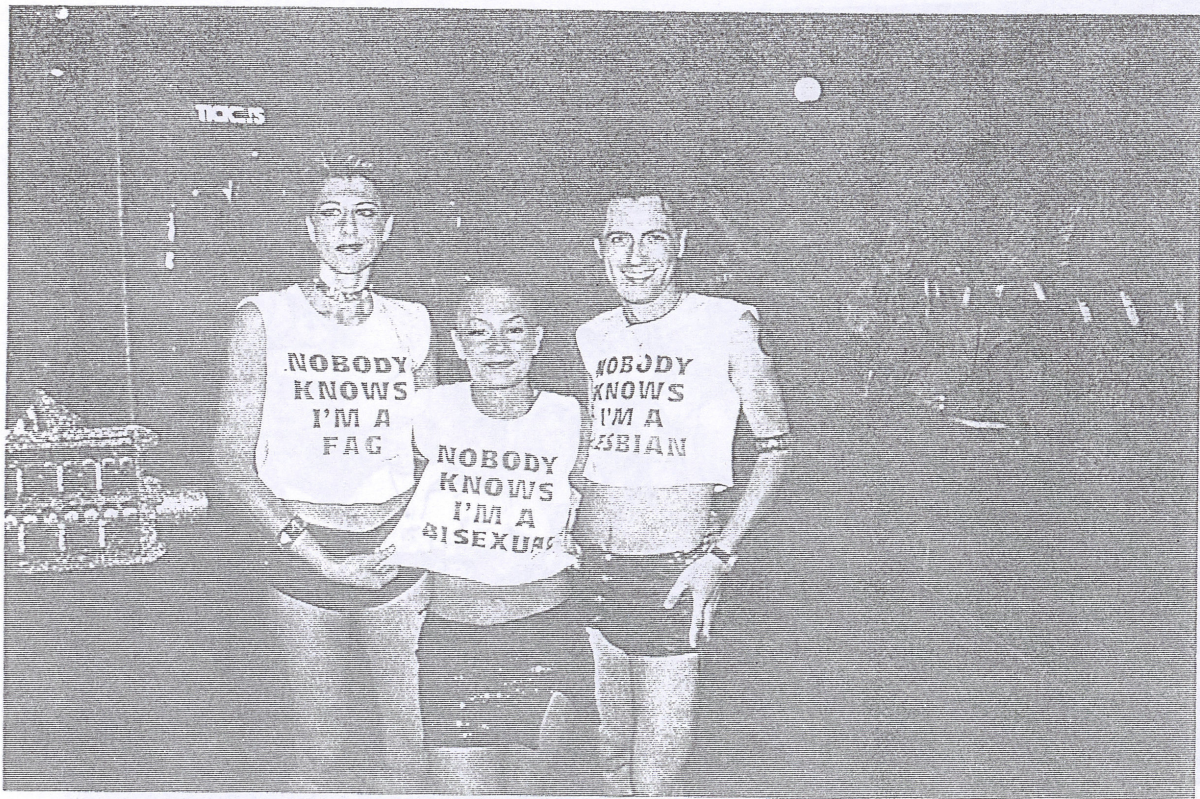
Before the Parade.





Cath, Pieter, Ted and Graham before  
the 1998 Mardi Gras Parade.

A great little trio set for the Parade.

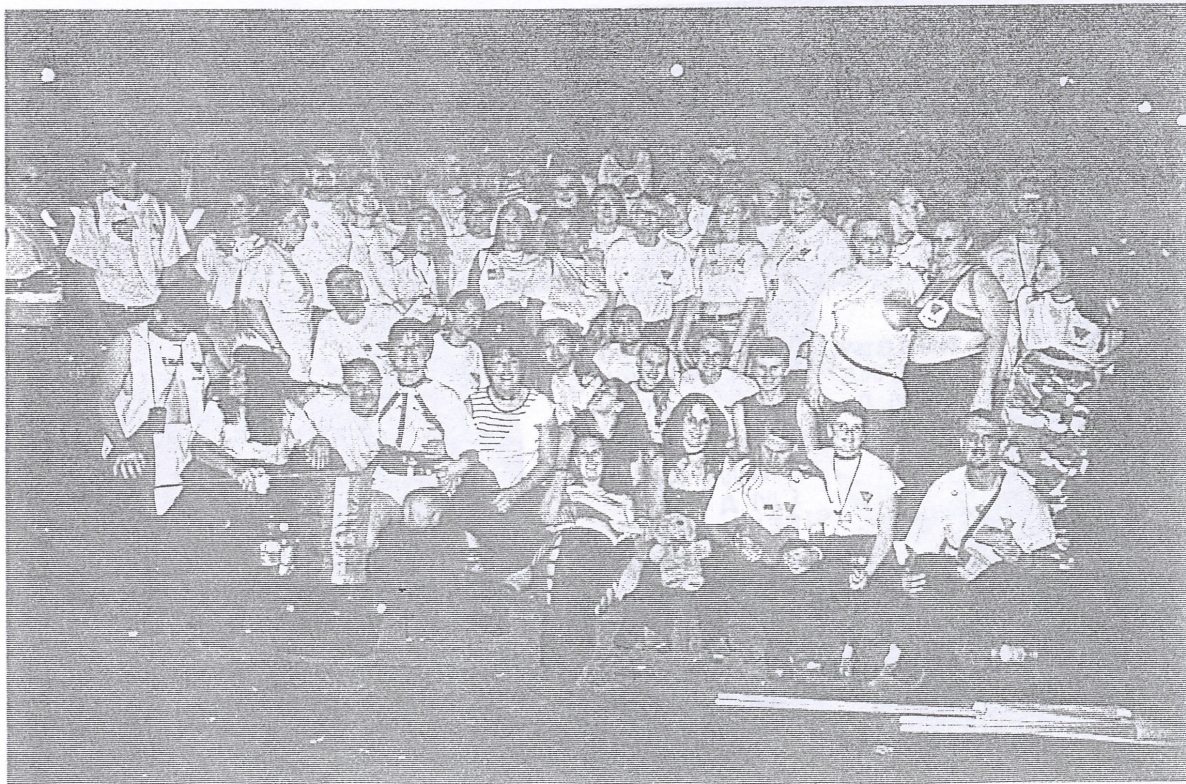






Bi Pride all ready to March.

Another Group Photo before the March.



Bi Pride Contingent.





Rosanne wheels em down.  
Bi Pride going up Oxford Street.







Jewel and Chris with Dante & Elmo.

1998 Mardi Gras.

Tom Robinson and Andrew Vander Stock.







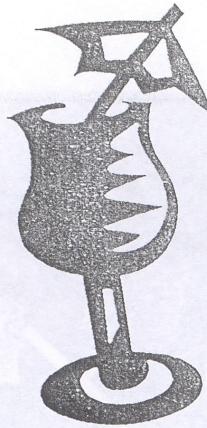
Kate Hickson with the Zena's Group  
in the Parade.



The Tongan Group before the  
Mardi Gras Parade start.



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